

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 471

By Hill

A RESOLUTION to congratulate Albert and Patsy Wood on the celebration of their fiftieth wedding anniversary.

WHEREAS, this General Assembly takes great pleasure in paying tribute to those successful marriages that have stood the test of time to serve as exemplars for present and future generations; and

WHEREAS, on April 23, 1957, Albert G. "Woody" Wood and Patsy R. "Pat" Hall were joined in holy matrimony in Jonesborough by Harry Cole, and since that fateful day this outstanding couple has faced the world as one, basking in the glow of their love for each other during both life's joys and sorrows; and

WHEREAS, Mr. and Mrs. Wood have been highly respected citizens of their community for many years; they are the very epitome of good neighbors, as they always endeavor to treat others as they would like to be treated; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Wood, a veteran of the United States Marine Corps, served with acumen and alacrity as a member of the Washington County Sheriff's Department for fifteen years and the Johnson City Police Department for twenty-five years, in which positions he earned the respect of his peers and superiors alike for the exemplary quality of his work; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Hall is a semi-retired speech and language pathologist, a profession to which she has dedicated the full complement of her excellence and ability for thirty-six years; and

WHEREAS, this fine couple's praiseworthy marriage produced two children, Vickie Wood Smith and the late Michael D. Wood, and they are the proud and loving grandparents of Benjamin Smith and Stephanie Wood; and

WHEREAS, for fifty years this blessed union has grown and prospered as an expression of time-honored family values and selfless love; and

WHEREAS, marriages such as the Woods' are truly the rock-solid foundation upon which our society is built and a beacon of sanity and continuity in these turbulent times; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that we hereby honor and congratulate Albert and Pat Wood on the celebration of their fiftieth wedding anniversary and extend to them our best wishes for much continued happiness in the years to come.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.